THE PUTNEY COLUMN

Rev. A. S. Buzzell Resigned as Pastor of Baptist Church

Two Swedes Taken to Newfane Jail for Intoxication-Proposed Rural Free Delivery Route Inspected.

Rev. A. S. Buzzell, pastor of the Baptist church, read his resignation Sunday morning, not to accept the call to Maine, which was mentioned last week, but to go to North Sutton, N. H., to succeed Rev. Dr. Dwight Spencer. It had been known for some time that the climate here did not agree with Rev. Mr. Buzzell, also that he contemplated going elsewhere, so that his resignation did not come as a surprise, but it caused no less a feeling of regret, Rev. Mr. Buzzell and family having been highly respected by the church and community. The resignation will take effect the last Sunday in this month. Its text is as fol-Sunday in this month. Its text is as follows: "It is nearly 15 months since I came to you as your pastor. How much or how little has been accomplished for the Master's kingdom only eternity will reveal. And while I have not accomplished all that I hoped and possibly all that I might yet in a certain second. that I might, yet in a certain sense I do not feel that my work is finished here. I find that my bealth is failing and by advice of physicians I feel that I must relinquish the work here, and I ask you to release me from the work the last Sunday of this month. And believe me when I say that this is one of the hardest tasks that I have ever been called upon to do in my ministry, for I never served a more united people,—a people who have ever shown kindness and sympathy. And I leave you with deep-est love, profoundest gratitude, and with an earnest prayer that God may richly bless and reward you and soon send you a true man who shall be able to better lead you. Sincerely your pastor, A. S. Buzzell."

Oscar Wahlbertin and John Jacobson, Swedes employed in Bodine & Davis's brickyard, were arrested by Constable M. E. Cobb of Putney Falls Sunday morn-ing for intoxication, on complaint of Peter Blake, foreman at the brickyard. They were kept in the lock-up until Monday at 2 o'clock, when they were arraigned before Justice M. D. Whitman. State's Attorney H. D. Ryder of Bellows Falls appeared for the state. Wahlbertin pleaded guilty and was fined to any costs amounting to \$13.10. Inc. \$5 and costs, amounting to \$13.10. Jac-obson pleaded not guilty and four witnesses were examined, after which the ourt adjudged the respondent guilty and ned him \$5 and costs, amounting to \$18.98. Neither respondent was able to pay his fine, and on Tuesday morning Constable Cobb took both to Newfane jail to serve a sentence of 20 days. They said they sent to Boston for liquor.

Michael Maley will finish work for the Cole Paper company tomorrow night.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Pierce are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Nettle Look, in Or-

E. E. Blood will begin the erection of a large barn in the rear of the Congregational church soon.

George Tift of Haverhill, Mass., came Monday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Tift of Putney Falls.

W. J. Meager of New Brunswick has succeeded D. M. Fox as night telegraph operator at the railroad station Miss Lula Howe, who spent the winter in a hotel in St. Petersburg, Fla., came Monday to visit her aunt, Mrs. Foster

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Still began house-keeping in the railroad station building in East Putney this week. Mr. Still is

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H. N. Gleason came from Charlestown,
N. H., Tuesday after his trunk and personal effects. He has a position in the
violin case factory in Charlestown.
A large delegation will go from this
village to Brattleboro by team next Wednesday to attend the May concert of the
Choral Union, which has several members

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Underwood, who have lived in Mrs. Whitney's house opposite Capt. Robertson's, have stored their ousehold goods. They will board for the

Mrs. J. F. Washburn is expected home tomorrow from Caester, N. H., where she went last Saturday to visit her mother, who is in Ill health.

Putney Grange will present the one-act comedy "Mrs. Plodding's Nieces, or Domestic Accomplishments," at the meet-ing next Friday evening. The parts will

Ma taken by nine ladies.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Huntley and Mr. and Mrs. John Underwood, ir., are moving to Brattleboro this week. Mr. Huntley and Mr. Underwood are employed by the S. A. Smith company.

Rev. W. T. Sparhawk of Randolph, for merly pastor of the Congregational church, was a guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. D. King Monday and Tuesday. He preached in Townshend Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Patterson and child of Waterbury came to Putney Sunday to spend a week or more at H. L. Scott's. Dr. Patterson attended the meeting of the State Dental society in Brattleboro. Armond's entertainers began a week's engagement in the town hall last even

ing. They give a different program each night, consisting of comedy, musical acts. illustrated songs, moving pictures, ser-pentine dancing, etc. Rev. A. S. Buzzell will preach on "What

God Expects of Us" in the Baptist church Sunday morning and in the evening on "An Awakened Church." While Mr. Buzzell will be here at the Memorial Sunday service, next Sunday will be practically his last Sunday with his own people.

The schoolhouse in district No. 1 was bought by Mrs. J. F. Washburn at the auction sale Saturday for \$70. The buildings and lot in district No. 2 were bought by A. L. Howard for \$100. The sale was held in front of the town hall build-ing, W. E. Pierce being the auctioneer.

New shelves have been fitted up by M. D. Whitman this week in the room next west of the public library room in the town hall building, the library having outgrown its present quarters. The new room will be used for library purposes in addition to the old one. The library is well patronized.

Hazen Urie, 5, who was drowned in the Connecticut river at White River Junction last week Thursday, was a son of William Urie, formerly Bosson & Maihe of William Urie, formerly Boston & Status station agent in East Putney, now of West Lebanon, N. H. He and a brother nine years old were playing along the river bank near their home, when Hazen slipped and fell into the stream. The swift current swept him off in spite of his brother's efforts to rescue him.

Clark Campbell, representing the rural free delivery branch of the post office department, came to Putney Monday and on Tuesday he and Postmaster L. P. Bailey drove over the proposed route to Dummerston, which is 25 miles long. Mr. Campbell expressed himself as much pleased with the route. It is probable that it will be established about July 1, the petition for its establishment having been reported favorably by Congressman

Kittredge Haskins. The closing of the hotel as a result of the town voting no-license has brought the traveling men face to face with a situation which is not at all agreeable to There is no place, except private, where they can get meals, and the only recourse for some is to get their dinners at the grocery stores. There has been some talk about opening the old Lewis House as a boarding house, and it would seem that someone might make a fair profit if the idea could be carried out.

F. J. Martin, the harness maker, has

granted a patent recently for a draft

attachment for bolt hames, as has been stated in The Phonix. The patent is for the United States and Canada. By the the United States and Canada. By the use of this device sore or galled shoulders resulting from badly fitted collars, etc., may be entirely prevented by simply adjusting the point of draft. By means of a moveable bracket plate which may be slid upward or downward the point of draft may be 'changed 3½ inches without altering the fit of the hames on the collar, and thus a sore or galled spot may be relieved of pressure. Mr. Martin has placed a large number of them on the market and they have given excellent results. They are made of cast steel. sults. They are made of cast steel

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VERNON.

Vernon Grange will hold its next regular meeting Saturday evening of this week. S. S. Pike's temement house is rented to employes of W. G. Doolittle temporarily. J. T. Wright is repairing his tenement house, which is to be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Bert Newton.

Miss Nellie Wright has returned to Springfield after spending a few days with her brother, J. T. Wright. Mr. and Mrs. John Nesbitt and little son

and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prescott visited at D. P. Prescott's last week. The ladies' circle will meet in their rooms next Wednesday afternoon. Supper will be served at the usual time.

Mr. and Mrs. Armon Ellingwood are moving to Greenfield, where Mr. Eiling-wood has been employed several months. Rev. F. L. Masseck will preach at the Union church next Sunday afternoon at 3. The Sunday school and the meeting of the Σ. P. C. U. will be held at 2. All will

C. E. Davis is making arrangements for the usual Memorial exercises, which will be held in Union church on Sunday after-noon, May 27. All interested are invited to contribute flowers and to come early to assist in arranging them. Also contri-butions of food are solicited for a lunch for the veterans and people from out of Lunch will be served from 12 to

SOUTH VERNON.

Mrs. Homer Waldron is slowly improv Joseph Woodard has gone to Wilbra

Mrs. Hattle Blodgett has returned to her son's to stay for the present.

Vegetation is very backward and gardens are looking thin. Fruit trees are full of buds and promise a good crop. Rev. A. E. Phelps of Westfield, Mass., is expected to preach in the chapel next Sunday at 11 a. m, and in Johnson hall at

Rev. I. M. Blanchard and family left for their new field of labor in Bridgeport, Conn., Wednesday. They have made many friends here and all very much regret to lose them. Best wishes attend them.

Fertilizers for Orchards.

A formula widely recommended for the fertilization of fruit trees is as follows: 100 pounds of raw ground bone, 100 pounds of acid phosphate, 100 pounds of muriate of potash. This will give a fertilizer of potash. This will give a retrined having approximately the following composition: Nitrogen 1 per cent., total phos phoric acid 12.7 per cent., available phos phoric acid 7.3 per cent., potash 16.7 per cent. In case this formula is to be changed, it is arranged so the acid phos-phate be omitted, and the formula benes 150 pounds raw ground bone, 100 ands of murlate of potash. This makes little richer formula.

The fertilizer recommended by Dr. Van Slyke for apple trees is as follows: Cottonseed meal, ground bone, acid phosphate, muriate of potash, all in equal parts. This makes a fertilizer carrying 25 per cent, of nitrogen, 9.3 total phosphoric acid, 5.2 available phesphoric acid and 12.5 per cent. of the potash.—[New England Farmer.

"Speaking of charity," said the moral-ter, "every man should give according o his means." "True," rejoined the de-noralizer, "but instead a lot of men give Fred Hastings, a son of Eugene Hasto his means." cording to their meanness." Daily News.

"How are you coming on with your new system of weather prediction?"
"Well," answered the prophet cheerily, "I can always get the kind of weather all right, but I haven't quite succeeded in hitting the dates exactly."-[Washington

Many people are either rich or happy, but few are both.

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MIRACULOUS CURE BY **CUTICURA REMEDIES**

"Words cannot speak highly enough for the Cuticura Remedies. I am now seventy-two years of age. My system
had been all run
down. My blood
was so bad that blood poisoning had set in. I had several doctors 河南 attending me, so finally I went to the hospital, where I was laid up for

two months foot and ankle were W almost beyond almost beyond recognition. Dark blood flowed out of wounds in many places, and I was so disheartened that I thought surely my last chance was slowly leaving me. As the foot did not improve, you can readily imagine how I felt. I was simply disgusted and tired of life. I stood this pain, which was dreadful, for six months, and during this time I was not able to wear a shoe and not able to work.

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sura. The consequences were I bought a set of the Cuticura Remedies of a set of the Cuticura Remedies of one of my friends who was a drug-gist, and the praise that I gave after the second application is beyond description; it seemed a miracle, for the Cuticura Remedies took effect immediately. I washed the foot with the Cuticura Soap before applying the Ointment and I took the Resolvent at the same time. After two weeks' treatat the same time. After two weeks' treat-ment my foot was healed completely. People who had seen my foot during my illness and who have seen it since the

ure, can hardly believe their own eyes."

Robert Schoenhauer,
Aug. 21, 1905,
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HINSDALE, N. H.

'Trip Around the World' Very Successfully Carried Out

Ireland, Spain, Holland, Japan, Africa and America the Countries Represented in the Effective Scheme

The "Trip Around the World," which was under the management of the Con-gregational ladies' society and was held Chursday evening, was an entire success, ooth as a unique entertainment and finan-cially. The several homes where the different countries were represented were so changed by draperles, costumes, etc., that it was easy for the visitor to imagine he had been transported to some oreign clime. Parties numbering 15, in charge of a

conductor, left the church, which was the station, at stated intervals, going first to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Taylor, where Ireland was represented. Here they were entertained by J. E. Mann, the Misses Belleville and Miss Flaherty, with W. P. Lyman accompanist. An original song by J. E. Mann was a decided feature. Kilarney Castle, surrounded by its lake, was also an attractive feature. The decorations were green and white, the shamrock prevailing. Each guest received a pretty souvenir card, with an appropriate sentiment. Mrs. Field and the Misses Maud Taylor and Grace Hall served potato cakes anad cabbage salad.

The next was Spain at Rev. and Mrs. W. F. White's. The decorations were composed of bright colored draperies and Spanish flags. A scene when Columbus was pleading his cause before Queen Isabella of Spain was enacted in costume by Miss Hortense Mead, Prentiss Taylor and Emmons White. Lois siead imper-sonated a Spanish girl playing the guitar

sonated a Spanish girl playing the guitar and Harold White served as a page. Spanish cream and sponge cake were passed to all visitors by Misses Beatrice Currier and Florence O'Neil.

Next on the route was Holland at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Howe. Dutch steins, wooden shoes, etc., formed the decorations here. Miss Caroline B. Howe sang Dutch songs and Miss Rose Mead, arrayed in complete Dutch costume, distributed souvenir packages of cocoa and Misses Mollie Pike and Lena Higginson, also in costume, served Bensdorp's n, also in costume, served Bensdorp's coa and doughnuts.

From here the travelers went to Japan at Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Field's. Decora-tions of Japanese lanterns, fans, and par-asols, with all those who had parts asols, with all those who had parts garbed in bright colored kimonos, made it seem a veritable corner of Japan. Alice Jeffords sang "Keep a little cosy corner in your heart for me," with Miss Bertha Lewis as accompanist. The favors were tiny Japanese lanterns and dolls. Misses Florence Floid and Nelle Bourns served. Florence Field and Nellie Bourne served tea and wafers. Africa was well represented at Dr. and

Mrs. W. E. Fay's. Mock oranges and greens formed the decorations and were distributed as souvenirs. Norman Smith and Margaret English, as two bright little piccaninies, sang and did a cake walk, much to the amusement of the vis-Griddle cakes and maple syrup served by Misses Josephine Perry Madelon Temple as two dusky ftors. maidens

From Africa the excursionists returned to America at the home of Mrs. Addie E. Dix, where Ella Hall and Louis Belleville pix, where the Hall and Louis Believing received as George and Martha Washington. The decorations were elaborate and consisted of flags and bunting. Misses Lizzie Booth, Eveline Stewart and Florence Howe sang "Three cheers for the red, white and blue," and little Marion red, white and blue," and little Marion Robertson as Columbia sang and presented each visitor with a small flag. Ray Fletcher made a capital cowboy in full costume. The refreshments were in charge of Mrs. Mead and Mrs. Perham, and con-sisted of hot apple pie and ice cream. This being the last place on the route, no one hurried but enjoyed a short social time and all concerned unite in pronounc-ing it an evening replete with enjoyment. ing it an evening replete with enjoyment

of this town, was seriously injured at Keene Monday evening from either falling or jumping from the running board of a moving electric car. Mr. Hastings was going from the forward to the back part of the car, when his hat blew off and whether he fell in trying to catch it or jumped off is not known. He struck against two poles used for supporting electric wires and sustained a severe con-cussion of the brain. Drs. Matte and Hyland were soon in attendance. Mr. Hastings was unconscious when taken up He was taken to the hospital where he recovered consciousness during the night. A thorough examination revealed no broken bones, although the injured man was so very sore and lame. There seemed no reason why he should not re-His father and his sister, Mis-Susie Hastings, went to Keene Tuesday to fully assure themselves of his condi-

Mrs. C. A. Gray was in Boston a part of last week. Miss Mattle Fisk of Springfield, Mass., s visiting Mrs. E. A. Worden. Mrs. H. W. Taylor attended the funeral

of an aunt in Keene Saturday. John Roberts is at home again from Several Hinsdale people attended the funeral of Mrs. Fitzgerald at Keene Sat-

urday. Mrs. C. A. Holland is entertaining he sister, Mrs. Sarah Stimson, of Springfield,

Miss Margaret Wiswall was at her home a Lexington, Mass., from Friday until Sunday. Mrs. Ida Stratton has been in Hillsboro

Bridge this week as the guest of Mrs. C. Mrs. Stella Stebbins of Millers Falls has en visiting relatives and friends in town

tew days. Miss Annie J. Gray of Boston is sper ng a vacation with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Gray. L. I. Stearns and Miss Clara Stearns

visited a sick relative, Mrs. Mary Tyler, in Athol last week. Mr. and Mrs. John Curran of Lewison. Me., have been visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Charles Ellis.

A party of young people from here pro-ose climbing Mt. Monadnock Saturday f the weather is favorable. Mrs. Thomas Butler pleasantly enter-tained the ladies' social club at her River

street home Friday afternoon. The young men's waltzing party at the town hall Friday evening was well attended and was a very pleasant affair. A party of young ladies, chaperoned by Mrs. C. D. Whitaker, came over from Brattleboro for the "Trip around the

Miss Christina Robertson, with a friend from the MacDuffle school in Springfield, Mass., was at her home here from Thurslay until Monday. Mrs. Julia A. Fay was given a surprise

party of her nieces and nephews Sat-arday, the occasion being her 78th birthday anniversary. A surprise party was given Henry Beaumier by his young friends Friday evening. About 40 were present. Refreshments

were served and a general good time was njoyed. Miss Alice Peters has given up her place in the Halle & Frost mill. She went Tuesday to Shaftsbury, Vt., where she formerly lived, to care for an elderly woman who is in feeble health.

Mrs. G. A. Robertson went to New London, Conn., Friday, called there by

the death of a sister. Mr. Robertson joined her Saturday. The body was taken to Brattleboro Monday for burial. Rev. H. H. Hamilton, who was pastor

of the Hinsdale Congregational church from 1879 to 1887, has been calling on old parishioners here this week. Mr. Hamilton is now settled in Maine.

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The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Albert Doucette, four and a half years
old, died Saturday from a brain trouble.
The funeral was held Monday, and the ourial was in St. Joseph's cemetery.
A special train will leave Hinsdale tomorrow night at 6.39 to accommodate the

morrow high at 5.50 to accommodate the Red Men who wish to attend the meeting of the order in Keene, when a team from the Lynn, Mass., tribe will do the work, Miss Rest Metcalf celebrated her 16th birthday anniversary Friday evening by entertaining the junior class of the Hins-dale high school, of which she is a mem-Sensonable refreshments were erved, and music and games were in

Two candidates were initiated into Sheridan Relief corps Tuesday evening. After the work of the evening was completed Comrade James Britton was re-ceived. He gave an interesting task about the soldiers' home at Tilton, where he had been recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Drinkwine enter tained a party of friends with a fine turkey dinner Monday evening. The affair was planned and successfully carried out by Mrs. Drinkwine as a surprise to her husband, who was, however, equal to the occasion. The event was a double cele-bration, being Mr. Drinkwine's birthday anniversary, also that of their marriage. The evening was an enjoyable one.

The patriotic exercises of the publi schools will take place at the town hall Friday afternoon, May 25, beginning at 2 o'clock. The several patriotic organizations, so far as possible, will attend in a body. Sunday, the 27th, because of the absence of Rev. Father Ling from town, the Memorial service will not be held at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church, as was expected, but will be held at the Calvary Methodist church, when Rev. W. J. Wilkins will address the organiza-tions. On Wednesday, May 30, the regular Decoration day services will be aeld in the town hall at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Rev. W. J. Trickey will be the orator. There will be two or three selections by the young people and special music, be-sides music by the Hinsdale brass band. After the close of the exercises in the hall the procession, headed by the band, and composed of Sheridan post, G. A. R., traffiliated and Spanish was veterans. unaffiliated and Spanish war veterans Sons of Veterans and school children will be formed and will march to Pine Grove cemetery where the graves of the soldler dead will be decorated. A delegation from the post will go to the North Hinsdale and St. Joseph cemeteries, as is their ustom in the morning.

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ASHUELOT, N. H.

Bernard Riley of Bellows Falls visited at his uncle's, B. J. Riley's, over Sunday. Mrs. S. W. Maxfield left Saturday for week's visit with her parents in Lud-

The Universalist ladies' society will hold strawberry supper at the hall this. Friday, evening. Thomas Callahan, who went recently to

Fulton, N. Y., to work in a paper mill, returned Friday. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dickinson of Greenfield were with Mr. Dickinson's mother over Sunday.

E. C. Stimpson lost a pocketbook con-taining money and valuable papers on the street at Upper Ashuelot last week, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hennessy, who spent the winter in Bermuda, arrived Monday for a visit with Mr. Hennessy's mother. Mrs. Angelia Cooligan.

H. H. Hopkins, formerly superintendent of E. C. Robertson & Son's paper mill, has moved his family to Montville, Conn., where he has a situation.

Several from here attended in Keene Saturday the funeral of Mrs. Mary Fitz-gerald, widow of John Fitzgerald, who died in Wilton Thursday, Mrs. Fitz-gerald was a resident here many years. William Thompson, who was employed in J. O. Bergeron's meat market, now has position in the Wason car shops in Springfield, Mass. Frank Tasey, lately an employe in the Sheridan woolen mills, also is at work in the car shops.

Rev. C. I. Schofield, who has spent the past year in Switzerland, left Sunday on the return trip to this country. He spend the summer at his country h Crestwood, near the Taft Smith place. His private secretary, Miss Pahle of Col-orado, has already arrived at Crestwood.

WEST CHESTERFIELD, N. H

Duane Farr expects to go soon to Berardston to work an indefinite time. Mrs. Charles Warwick of Putney was ith her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Farr, ast week.

Grover Davenport, who has been housed with mumps, is out. No new cases have been reported. F. M. Davis, road agent, has been busy

the past ten days with men and teams repairing the highways. Mrs. Richard Farr has been housed the past ten days with an attack of rheumatism in the neck and shoulders. She is now more comfortable.

The section of state road, on which work was begun last fall, is now completed by the contractor, who has a force of men and teams busily engaged. Mrs. Cora (Winn) Starkweather of Beaver Dam, Wis. is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Winn. Mrs. Starkweather was ormerly a successful teacher here.

It is hoped a large number will be presthat arrangements may be made for the special meeting of Pomona Grange which will be held with the Grange here June 6.

The White Man's Burden

Kipling's lines, "The White Man's surden," have been urged as the excuse for a great many things that have been done by the Caucasian race in their dealings with men of other colors. At the present time the Germans are fight-ing with the natives in Southwest Africa; there is trouble between the French troops and the nomadic tribes of the desert to the south of Algeria; the British have a force operating in their the British have a force operating in their Nigerian territory; the Dutch are still carrying on their more than a generation long war in northern Sumatra. We have had our own troubles in Jolo and Samar, and within a few days there has been the disgraceful scene at Chattanooga, and shortly prior to that the trouble in Springfield, Ohio. Then there is the terrible condition which exists under Belgian confield. Ohlo. Then there is the terrible condition which exists under Belgian con-trol in the Congo. All of which may give rise to the question whether the "white man's burden" does not rest heaviest on colored man's shoulders .- [Boston

Brevity may be the soul of wit, but when a man is short it's no joke.

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NORTHFIELD, MASS.

Installation of Rev. N. Fay Smith. The installation of Rev. N. Fay Smith, pastor of the Trinitarian Congregational church, was held Wednesday at the church in the presence of a large company of visitors and church members, the invitation being extended to all the churches of Franklin county, Winchester, Hinsdale, N. H., Brattleboro and Haydenville. The order of exercises was: Reading of minutes of the council was: Reading of minutes of the council by the scribe; music; invocation by moderator; reading of scriptures. Rev. Robert H. Fiagg; hymn, Rev. L. S. Chafer; prayer, Prof. James McConaughy; right hand of fellowship, Rev. Carey H. Watson; charge to the pastor, Rev. Silas P. Cook; address to the people, Rev. George F. Pentecost; prayer, Rev. Edward P. Seymour; hymns and benediction. diction.

The church was handsomely decorated

Mrs. Ella Tufts was called to Chester-field, N. H., this week to attend the funeral of an aunt.

Albert Parsons of Lexington, son of the late A. E. Parsons of this town, was in town recently calling upon relatives and friends. Prof. A. J. Philips, who has been ill, has recovered sufficiently to be mov-ing about the house and has now gone to Linden lodge to remain a few weeks

during his convalescence. Mrs. Abble S. Whittle, widow of Major D. W. Whittle, returned from spending the winter near Boston last Tuesday and the following morning was stricken with a paralytic shock becoming entirely unconscious. She is gradually falling. She had been very feeble several years from a tubercular trouble and had arranged to spend the summer with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Charles Whittle.

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MASSACHUSETTS NOTES.

Guilford Man Contestant of Will.

An appeal from the decree of the pro-ate court of April 17 allowing the will of Slias Whitman Wheeler, late of Col-rain, was filed in the office of the clerk of courts at Greenfield Wednesday. The estate amounts to about \$50,000. Mary E. Robertson, a daughter, received by will \$3000 and there were several st bequests. The remainder was left to Mrs. Wheeler to be disposed at her discretion. The appellants, Silas N. Wheeler of Bangor, Me., son, and Survier H. Pickett of Guifford, Vt., allege that the will was not Mr. Wheeler's, that the testagor was not of sound and disposing mind at the time the will was executed. the time the will was executed, that the will was procured by fraud and undue influence of William Watson Davenport, executor, Mary E. Roberston, Roswell B. Robertson and Lucy H. Wheeler. Silas N. Wheeler was left out of the will on the ground that he had had his share. He had previously received about \$3000.

Four Drowning Fatalities Sunday. Ernest W. Shaw, 25, son of Elijah Shaw of Shelburne Falls, was drowned Sunday at that place in the Deerfleid river. He and two companions, one of whom was his brother, had shot at a hawk, which was supposed to have fallen the opposite side of the river. Shaw hawk, which was supposed to have fallen on the opposite side of the river. Shaw started to swim across the river, just above the creamery, with the intention of getting the bird. When part way across he turned back, but before he could reach shore he went down. It is thought he was selected with cramps. The

hody was recovered in about two hours Alcide Belmore, Daniel Shea and Eugen-Bordeau, aged from 20 to 24 years, who were employed in the mills at Turners Falls, lost their lives at that place Sunday, when they were swept over the dam day, when they were swept over the dam in a boat. They were rowing a flat-bot-tomed boat and evidently did not realize their danger until they were caught in the swift current. They made desperate efforts to save themselves, but the boat was quickly drawn over the dam, in sight of several girls on the bank, who heard the cries of the young men just before they reached the crest of the dam. The victims were members of Father Matthews temperance society and

George Pond a prominent real estate dealer and large property owner, died suddenly Friday night at his home in Greenfield from heart disease. He is survived by his wife and several children. A forest fire which extended nearly a mile in the eastern part of the town south of the railroad, destroyed timber on land belonging to Charles Guellow, Everett Stratton and David Streeter at Bernardston Wednesday.

NEW HAMPSHIRE NOTES. A Polander who came from Greenfield.
Mass., to work in the New England Box
company's shop in Winchester, disappeared Monday, taking \$107 and a gold
watch from one of his countrymen and
\$80 from another Polander. The money
was taken from trunks at the boarding
house where the men lived.

Read Franklin's Life.

The extraordinary character of recen events at San Francisco has distracted public attention entirely from the Frank-lin bi-centenary celebration in Philadei-The American Philosophical as sociation, which he founded, had the cele bration in charge, and no country of con sequence failed to be represented either by a delegate or by a communication. It is not certain that any other American name would have been so potent to attract attention to a celebration of the kind. Certainly no great American has a reputation abroad so fully equal to his reputs tion at home as has Franklin. But this is due to two causes, and one of them is not entirely creditable to Americans of

this generation. The truth is that in estimating their great men Americans do not spontaneously and heartily give to Franklin the place that is his. They are told by historians that he belongs beside Washington; but they think of him mostly as a man who

wrote almanaes and made some experi-ments with a kite. They do not know that Benjamin Frankin's diplomacy had about as much to do with the freeing of the American states as had Washington's generalship. He had had Washington's generalship. a hand in making the declaration of inde-pendence, and his wisdom and farsight-edness were turned to the benefit of the ountry in the constitution. He founded the University of Pennsylvania; he was the father of the postoffice, and before the days of the actual war he served the colonies well in their relations to the mother country. His is the greatest name in American journalism, and he is probably still the most famed of American men of science.

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But a catalogue of things that he did, and was, can give no idea of the value of his service, and there ought not to be any need of insisting upon them. A good way for any American who would like to know about Franklin to begin seeking the knowledge, would be to read his wonderful autobiography. It is one of the few great books that America has given the world, and it is readable from beginning to end.

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His humanity and his sublime common sense shine in every page, and the News can give its readers no better advice at this bloentenary time than that they get a copy and find out what kind of man Benjamin Franklin was.—[Rutland News.

It is time to look out when a thing will

POLITICAL POTPOURRI.

Reasons for Supporting Haskins.

[Island Pond Herald.] We are for Col. Haskins, and believe he will receive the nomination and election. We do not for a minute underestimate the worthy public career of Governor Bell. He has been a safe, conservative and public spirited chief executive. His record is a clean one and creditable. But in choosing our representative in Congress, that field where the ablest men of the nation gather to care for the highest interests of all our millions, as well as the interests of local and differently circumstanced communities, we have to be many sided in our views. First and foremost to our mind in mak-

ing our choice between worthy rivals is the matter of experience. Col. Haskins is serving his third term very acceptably is serving his third term very acceptably to the people of the district, and in such a manner as to entitle him to the respect of his Congressional colleagues, who have confidence in his ability, his sound judgment, his legal acumen, his knowledge of and quick insight into, the commercial and social needs of the country. A former Vermonter, long resident of Washington, has said to us of Col. Haskins, that "he is one of the most highly regarded and conscientious members of the garded and conscientious members of the House." He has perfected himself in the procedure of the House so as to be able to take advantage of all conditions for the furthering of measures for the benefit of his constituents, to whose welfare he is ever alert and true. His close and is ever alert and true. His close and friendly relationship with leading members of the House, Senate and the departments, gives him an influence that counts for much, as we try to measure his capacity for accomplishment. One of the best things about him is his level headedness. He will not fly off on a tangent under the lead of some, for the time be-ing, popular craze. His attitude on the insurance legislation matter some weeks ago is proof of this. No new man, how-ever great his ability, could do for the people of the Second district during the next two years what Col. Haskins can, because of his ripe experience, and his knowledge of the men who legislate for the nation

Gov. Bell and His Fence Builder. [Northfield News.]

Judging from the attitude of the press in the second congressional district, and it usually reflects public sentiment, there is a strong preponderance of opinion in favor of retaining the valued services of Representative Kittredge Haskins in Congress for another two years. There seems to be absolutely no good argument for a change at this time and the voters are content to let the matter rest; and rest it would, with the renomination of Col. Haskins by a large majority, but for the personal ambition of Gov. Bell. It is well for Col. Haskins's friends to understand at this early date that if he is to be returned for another term they need to be active and above all else to be at the caucuses to help choose dele-gates, undoubtedly favorable to their can-didate. Gov. Bell and his supporters are working very quietly, but nevertheless they are already employed overtime. The governor has one particularly good political worker, who performed valuable service for him in the gubernatorial con-test and who was rewarded with a very good thing at a time when he needed a little feed at the public crib. In fact it may be said that this worker with his wide acquaintance and particular adaptability to practical politics, will take good care of the interests of his chief. Recognizing that the press and people are largely in favor of returning Col. Haskina for another term, the work for Gov. Bell is thus far being conducted very quietly, but nevertheless it is being carried on constantly and persistently.

Thinks Bellows Falls Has Had Her Share. Editor of the Phoenix,

Dear Sir:— In the Bellows Falls news in The Phonix of May 4, the claim is made that Bellows Falls ought to be represented in the Senate more often than it has been. The statement is made that Rockingham has had a senator but four times in 36 years. This is admitting that Rockingham has had a senator for nearly one-fourth of the time during the 26 years. When you consider that there are ten towns in the Westminster probate dis-trict it would seem that Rockingham has had its full proportion. Athens has had but one senator within the memory of man, and I presume there are towns in the probate district that never have had one. I do not think the claim based on population and grand list will cut any ice. When a state tax was assessed on the grand list Rockingham paid the same per cent, as the other towns. It cost them no more on each dollar of their list than it did any other town in the county. A senator is a representative of the county not the town, and I claim that neither the population nor wealth of a town should be considered in the selection of some man for the position. Small towns contribute as much in pro-portion to their wealth to the support of state and county government as a large one and some of their inhabitants should occasionally be elected to a

county, or even a state office E. S. KINGSLEY. Athens Vt., May 14, 1906.

The Forced Draft Again What's this we hear about the 'Bennington Draft" successfully singing its siren song in the ear of the ambitious

Unsuccessful in making alliance with the leading Burlington Democrat, Mayor James E. Burke, the "managers" of the ambitious Rutland "republican." cival W. Clement, it is stated on good authority, turned their attention to the next best thing in sight in Vermont democracy and Mr. Pape's consent to run as candidate for lieutenant governor is said to be the fruit of their efforts. The Bennington Draft, it seems, proposes the demoralization of the two leading political parties of the state. This is interesting as showing the desperate straits in which the ambitious malcontents find themselves. It is very alarming, surely. —[Rutland News.

The Salt of the Dead Sea.

The awful desolation of the Dead Sea which lies nearly 1300 feet below the level of the Mediterranean, is broken here and there by the salt divers, whose work is probably as ancient as the human race itself. From remotest antiquity the salt of the Dead Sea has been collected and brought to the Jerusalem market, where tic purposes. Dead Sea water contains over 25 per cent. of solid substances, of which seven per cent. is chloride of sodium, or common salt. The Dead Sea contains no living creature. Sea fish put into its waters speedly die. Not a single boat navigates its strange waters, nor is there any sign of life, says the isolated there any sign of life, save the isolated parties of salt divers, who scrape and slowly amass their glistening heaps of crystal near the mouth of the Jordan. When a sufficient cargo is made ready a long string of camels crosses the desert, and the sait is loaded up into panniers, or "shwerries." and taken into Jerusa-lem, where it finds a ready market. Sait, as is well known has been used as curas is well known, has been used as currency from time immemorial, just as bricks of tea are used today in Central Asia, especially in the borderland of China and Siberia.—[Technical World Magazine.

Jerry Hayes, a laborer, also known as J. Moulton, was arrested in Bingham. Me., Wednesday, charged with the murder of Mabel Page in Weston, Mass., March 31, 1904. Charles L. Tucker has been tried and convicted on the charge of republicing Miss. Page and is awaiting. murdering Miss Page and is awaiting execution next month. It is alleged that Hayes admitted to his boarding mistress that he was in the Page house on the day that the crime was committed.

HOW BANANAS ARE GROWN. The term tree, as applied to the banana plant, is a misnomer, as it is not a tree in the ordinary application of the word at all, but a tight roll of leaves which pushes upward, at the same time unfolding the delicate green bananas to form its leafy crown. This is quite ornamental at first, but wind and rain soon whip the tender leaves to shreds, leaving but a mass of ribbons to rustle in the trades. The base leaves to shreds, leaving but a mass of ribbons to rustle in the trades. The base of a well-grown plant presents a bulb-like appearance, and will carry from one to three or more knoblike excrescences, which are termed "buds" or "eyes." They develop upward first, and after throwing out several leaves, soon grow independent roots, so that they may be severed from the parent plant without injury. These are the "suckers," and form the planter's chief capital. He sets them out in two-foot holes spaced fitteen to eightplanter's chief capital. He sets them out in two-foot holes spaced fifteen to eight-cen feet apart until his field is covered, and then rests once more to await further developments, which nature is not in supplying.

The rapidity of development from the

newly-planted sucker to the tree in full bearing is little short of marvelous, and can be appreciated only by one who has witnessed it. Within a space of six or seven weeks the two or three foot plant has more than doubled in size, and a month or so after this the leaves cease to unfold, and a spike appears out of the centre of the crown; this is the future stalk of the bunch and carries a huge red blossom at its end. It develops rapid-ly, continually bending more and more, until in a short time it has turned completely upon itself, so that the bananas grow end up, or in a position the reverse of which they are usually hung here. At irregular intervals along the entire stalk. and only extending part way round it at any place, the bracis break forth—tiny ridges of the flower which are almost immediately replaced by nine to 12 or 15 em-bryo bananas. These are the future "hands" of the bunch, so called from their resemblance to that member when held in a certain position, and are separable from the stalk without disturbing their individual components. It is by means of these "hands" that the fruit is classified for shipping. A bunch of nine hands or over, the average being ten to twelve, constitutes a "first;" between seven and nine a "second"; anything under this minimum being discarded by an inspector at the wharf. The writer has seen bunches of seventeen hands, but this ab-normal size is equally unfit for shipping. owing to the inconvenience of stowage in the steamer's hold.

After having put forth ten to twelve bracts, the stalk continues to grow and develop the latter. These, however, are sterile, but by a wise provision of nature serve to fertilize their neighbors on other trees through the medium of the hum-ming birds, which abound on the banana farms. When ready for cutting, the stalk and original blossom extend two to three feet beyond the bunch. The spike bearing this gaudy flower appears when the tree has reached a height of ten or twelve feet, but this varies greatly with the locality, unusual fertility of soil, such as a florded by the elluvial river betterns is afforded by the alluvial river bottoms being productive of an abnormal amount of trunk and leaves, but unattended with

Ten to eleven months after the suckers are placed in the ground the bunches are ready for cutting, and it is here that another peculiar feature of which the banana apparently has a monopoly becomes evident. Practically nine persons out of court o out of every ten say, "How much better a banana must taste when allowed to ripen on the tree!" But the contrary is the case, because the fruit will not mature to perfection on the tree; the skins burst, attracting innumerable insects and birds, and the weight of the bunch itself becomes too great for the tree, either one or both coming to the ground. So the bunches are cut when the fruit is half to burches are cut when the fruit is half to burches are cut when the fruit is half to three-quarters full, i. e., matured, though still green and hard, according to the length of the journey it is to undergo. It continues to feed from the cut stalk, which contains a great amount of sap, until fully ripe, but should the cutting have occurred too soon, while the fruit will turn yellow, it will mover attain the flavor or softness or flesh requisite.

With the cutting of the bunch ends the life of the tree for it bears but once and

life of the tree, for it bears but once, and is usually cut down to obtain the latter, or succumbs a few days later to the cleaning process, which is merely bringing the spent trees to the ground. A new tree springs from the centre of the old stump, and thus there is an everlasting succesof the planter.
At the end of the third year a banans

farm is well developed, and there are at least four trees where but one was set out, so that with even a moderately small acreage fruit may be cut practically every week in the year, and the income is

To the average northerner the banana is but a fruit, seldom eaten in any other manner than raw. To the native of the tropics it is a multum in parvo, often his entire sustenance for weeks at a time, his dally bread, and the uses to which he puts it are innumerable. Taken in toto, dipped in lye and afterward dried in the sun, it becomes a moldy, shriveled, and most unlovely-looking morsel, but thus prepared it will keep indefinitely, and is instantly ready for use by peeling and baking or boiling, whereupon it expands to two or three times its original size, and forms relatable food. This is a pracand forms palatable food. This is a practice of the mountain natives of Nicaragua, and it forms a large part of their diet. supplemented by the inevitable "tortilla, when on their travels. When almost ripe the fruit is cut into slices and placed in the sun, which causes a certain amount of its sugar to crystallize on the surface; thus prepared it is an excellent conserve. Baked, boiled, or fried in cocoanut oil, it is a staple article of diet the year round, and the last named is quite a dell particularly fried plantains.

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